GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

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SELLING OF SURPLUS LAND
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to sell surplus land to raise productive capital;

(b) if so, the total surplus land at present;

(c) whether any policy have been worked out in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the extent to which it is likely to raise the productive capital?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) to (e) : It has been the Government`s policy to optimally utilise all productive resources. In this regard, disposal of surplus land with Government Departments and Public Sector Undertakings to raise productive capital hasbeen looked at by the Government in a number of cases. Many public sector undertakings have disposed off surplus land as part of their rehabilitation programmes / turn around strategies. In addition, the Government have set up a Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Urban Employment and Poverty Alleviation for formulation of policy framework for public / private sector partnership for economically weaker section (EWS) housing. The Task Forcewould assess the extent of vacant land available with different Ministries/Departments and Public Sector Undertakings of the Government ofIndia and explore avenues of using land as a resource for the purpose of augmentation of EWS housing.